

## Council Audit and Finance Committee Meeting WEDNESDAY, May 22, 2013

## **MINUTES**

THE *AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE* CONVENED ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2013 AT 10:04 A.M. IN THE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ROOM, FIRST FLOOR, ROOM 1101, CITY HALL, 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> STREET.

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. by Chair Sheryl Cole. In attendance were Council Member Bill Spelman and Council Member Laura Morrison.

**Agenda Item #1:** Citizen Communication

None

**Agenda Item #2:** Approval of April 24, 2013 and May 8, 2013 minutes

The minutes of the April 24, 2013, and May 8, 2013 meetings of the Audit & Finance Committee were approved on the motion from Mayor Pro Tem Cole, seconded by Council Member Morrison, with a 3-0 vote. Council Member Tovo was off the dais.

**Agenda Item #3:** Presentation and discussion of the Comprehensive Annual Financial

Report by Deloitte & Touche LLP, the City's External Auditor (Financial

Services Department)

Diana Thomas, City Controller, and Tracy Cooley, Deloitte & Touche Audit Director, presented the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Thomas and Cooley answered Council's questions. No action was taken. Council Member Tovo joined the meeting for this presentation.

Agenda Item #4: Presentation, discussion, and acceptance of the Parkland Dedication Audit

(Office of the City Auditor)

Karl Stephenson, Auditor-In-Charge, presented the results of the audit, which was managed by Walt Persons, Assistant City Auditor. Council Members had several questions for auditors, Sara Hensley, Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) Director, Jesse Vargas, Assistant Director at PARD, and Ricardo Soliz, Division Manager at PARD. Council requested that Hensley propose changes to the Parkland Dedication Ordinance which would allow for the expenditure of funds in a more timely manner. Council also directed that Hensley obtain input from the Parks and Recreation Board when addressing issues identified during the audit. The audit was accepted on the motion from Council Member Morrison, seconded by Council Member Tovo, with a 4-0 vote.

Agenda Item #5: Presentation and discussion of the Quarterly Water Treatment Plant 4

Report (Austin Water Utility Department)

Greg Meszaros, Austin Water Utility Director, presented Water Treatment Plant 4 Report. Meszaros answered Council's questions. No action was taken. Council member Spelman was off the dais for this item.

Agenda Item #6: Presentation and discussion of the Quarterly Financial Reports (Financial

Services Department)

Ed Van Eenoo, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Ann Little, Austin Energy's Vice President of Finance and Corporate Services, and David Anders, Austin Water Utility's Assistant Director, presented the Quarterly Financial Report. Van Eenoo, Little, and Anders answered Council's questions. No action was taken.

**Agenda Item #7:** Presentation and discussion related to cost and other operational matters

related to televised public meetings (Channel 6)

Item 7 was postponed without objections.

Adjourn – Mayor Pro Team Cole adjourned the meeting without objections at 12:10 p.m.